Dewan's reply.—(After consultation with the Executive Engineer who was present). The Deputy Commissioner and the Executive Engineer will inspect the various alternative sites and select the most suitable under the circumstances.

Subject No. 274.

Restoration of Gopalpura Anikat across the Cauvery River.

Summary of discussion.—The idea of restoring the Gopalpura Anikat across the Cauvery River should be considered.

Dewan's reply.—It seems to have been considered in the Public Works Department. But the great difficulty here again is the want of people to cultivate the land which may be made irrigable. The climate there is malarious and inhospitable to settlers.

Subject No. 275.

Restoration of Ramanahalli Anikat near Hunsur.

Summary of discussion.—Ramanahalli Anikat on the Lakshmantirtha River near Hunsur should be restored.

Dewan's reply.—The water in the river is not sufficient for the channels from existing anikats. An additional anikat seems therefore inexpedient.

Subject No. 276.

Deputy Amildar required at Periyapatna.

Summary of discussion.—A Deputy Amildar's Cutcherry is required at Periyapatna. The Hunsur Taluk is too large a taluk for an Amildar. Formerly there was a Peshkar to assist the Amildar.

Dewan's reply.—Recorded.

Subject No. 277.

Minor Forest produce on Raiyats' holdings should be sold only to Government Contractors.

Summary of discussion.—Government revenue from its minor Forest produce such as gallnuts, &c., suffers by the facilities which exist for raiyats competing with similar produce of their own lands and by those who grow such produce to a limited extent stealing Government property and passing it off with impunity as their own. Raiyats should therefore be bound to sell their produce only to the Government Contractor.

Dewan's reply.—Impossible.

Subject No. 278.

Government Minor Forest produce should be sold when trees are in bearing.

Summary of discussion.—Minor Forest produce is sold in April and May. It should be sold later in the year when the trees are in bearing. This would help intending purchasers to judge better what they may offer at auction. Bees' wax, honey, horns and such like may be sold in April and May as at present.

Dewan's reply.—The subject will be referred to the Forest Department for consideration.